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HOW SOLDIER BONUS CLAIMS ARE HANDLED

In view of the fact that there is so much misunderstanding and consequent dissatisfaction concerning higher numbered claims being paid than lower ones, the following is being presented for Courier readers to show just how the soldier claims are being handled:

When a claim is received, it first is numbered and a card bearing the same number is mailed to the applicant. Then it is registered and is filed awaiting its turn for the examiners. So far, there is no break in the serial number. When a claim goes to the examiner and found correct, it is sent to the Commission for approval, and when approved is vouchered and check covering it is sent out. When we have no federal record on a claim, it is put in the suspense tray and we ask our Washington correspondent for a record. Sometimes, in addition to this, we ask the applicant to send us his discharge, or a copy of it, in order to expedite, as it usually takes from four to eight weeks to get a record from Washington. When the applicant has failed to answer the questions properly, or has made other mistakes in his claim, it is returned to him for correction. All of these claims are placed in the suspense file, and just as quickly as the necessary data is received, it takes its place ahead of all claims of a higher number.

In view of the fact that fully 50 per cent of the claims are wrong in some way, it can readily be understood why claim No. 80,000 might be paid and claim No. 3,000 is held up. It would hardly be good sense or efficient management to hold up every claim numbered higher than 3,000 until we could complete the data on that particular claim, and for that reason many higher numbers are paid while lower numbers are waiting. The average man can be assured, providing that his claim number is less than 100,000 that he will surely be paid or rejected, and they will not help matters a bit by writing and telegraphing and bothering with pleas for hurrying them up.

It is expected that the work will be completed not later than September 1st, but of course that guess is problematical. During the month of June a little better than 30,000 claims were paid. During the month of July it is hoped that the force will be able to speed up a little more, as they will be thoroughly organized among the clerks and each one will know better just what is expected of them.

RESOLUTIONS BY CHRIST CHURCH

WHEREAS, Our Brother, Charles O. Sterner, has gone from us into the "Great Beyond";

WHEREAS, The community has lost one of its best citizens and the church has lost one of its most loyal and faithful members, and

WHEREAS, His faithful, loyal services as teacher and superintendent of the Bible school has long been an inspiration and help to the other members of the congregation and an incentive to others to be more loyal to the Master's Work, and to live a more clean and upright Christian life.

BE IT RESOLVED, That the members of the congregation of this church extend to his widow and little daughter, also the other members of the family their heartfelt sympathy in this hour of their loss and great sorrow. That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to his widow and a copy thereof be made a part of the permanent record of this church.

JAMES F. TAYLOR,
MRS. W. D. VAUGHAN,
MRS. GARNETT HYDE.

DO IT NOW

If you have a bit of news,
Send it in.
Or a joke that will amuse,
Send it in.
A story that is true,
An incident that's true,
We want to hear from YOU—
Send it in.
Don't wait a month to tell it;
Send it in.
Something serious or a jest,
Just whichever you like best,
The ed. will do the rest;
Send it in.

Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Price of Wallsville, Mo., are here spending the week with their daughter, Mrs. Geo. Carlstead.

FUTURE HOUSEWIVES LEARN HOME MAKING

Jefferson City, Mo., July 5.—"I consider the work of home-making as important as any work done in our schools," said Sam Baker, State Superintendent of Schools, in a recent interview. Supt. Baker declared that "the time and money being spent on the training we are giving our boys will much of it go to waste unless these boys are going into the right kind of homes."

Supt. Baker said that one of the most important phases of present-day education is the training for home-making which is being given to girls and women in Missouri high schools. "When we consider the fact that 80 per cent of our girls will be home-makers and that more than 50 per cent of the income of the average American is expended by the housewife for clothing, food and shelter," he remarked Baker, "we realize the need for this training, since there are more children in the profession of home-making than in any other occupation in this country."

In tracing the development of vocational home economics education in Missouri for the last three years under the Smith-Hughes Act, which grants federal aid for this type of work, according to Baker, there were in 1918 but ten schools offering this subject, with an enrollment of 240 students. For the year just closing, he stated, there were 39 high schools carrying on the work, with an enrollment of more than 1,250; 130 evening schools, with an enrollment of more than 3,000 and 35 part-time schools, with 520 enrolled, making a total of more than 4,000 girls and women receiving training in the job of home-making.

It is Supt. Baker's conviction that this phase of education has greatly vitalized the connection between the home and the school in every branch of the domestic arts, and its practical application is reflected in the growing demand by the schools of the state for vocational home economics.

FARM BUREAU NOTES

Trip to Carrollton

Last Saturday Messrs. C. W. Garhart, W. R. Hechler, Edwin Grotjan and R. D. Jay motored to Carrollton and met with members of the executive committee of Carrollton and adjoining counties for the benefit of the Farm Bureaus of these counties. Mr. McReynolds of Jefferson City representing the Missouri Farm Bureau Federation and P. H. Ross, State Leader of County Agents, of Columbia, were present and explained some of the needs of the state organization.

Chinch Bugs Again

... have just received a supply of Bulletins giving several methods of control of this pest and will be glad to mail copies of this bulletin to all who request it immediately.

This bulletin contains quite a lot of information on this subject and should be in the hands of every farmer who is troubled with these insects. Phone or write the Farm Bureau office at once. People are fighting bugs in various ways—some by plowing them under, some by burning, some by poisoning them and some by trapping.

We hope that everybody will make an effort to destroy their winter quarters this fall by destroying fence rows, ditch banks and all kinds of trash that accumulate along our fields.

New Alfalfa

There are going to be a number of new seedings of alfalfa sown August 15th or near that date and no doubt there are a number of farmers planning to sow alfalfa that do not know whether their soil is sweet or sour, if alfalfa is sown on sour or acid you cannot expect it to make much of a headway. If you have a field that is doubtful at all better have the County Agent examine it and see if it does not need a dose of ground lime stone. We are going to get in several carloads of lime stone the latter part of July and this is not going to cost more than about \$2.20 or \$2.30 per ton delivered at various points in the county. If you contemplate needing two tons of this per acre for alfalfa please let us know so that we can help you get your ground in shape for this valuable crop.

We have a new method of testing the soil right in the field which is much more accurate than the old litmus test and we will be glad to make the test of your soil sometime soon if you will let us know.

R. D. JAY, County Agent.

Phone that news item to the Courier

Thousands Come-Keytesville's Fourth of July Celebration a Record Breaker, the "Doin's"

One hundred and forty-six years ago last Tuesday a group of patriots assembled "somewhere" in America and wrote and signed a document which has attained more or less prominence and which has been handed down to posterity—yea, even to ye of these modern times in the year of 1922.

This aforesaid document is about the only thing that Jim Reed has not successfully attacked during a period of late years—down at Washington. Keytesville celebrated that event in the true 1876 spirit, with all the little frills thereto attached that the people of each succeeding year have been able to invent.

In the writing of that historical document, however, the signers overlooked one most important thing, which the prominent American people all of these years have not seen fit to incorporate into the original—that something not heretofore read into the records has something to do with a clause about just the right kind of weather for each succeeding anniversary. However, the weather man did not wait for an amendment, but proceeded to furnish a brand of weather which could not be improved upon. People of Missouri this year are tipping their hats to the aforesaid w. m. Personally, the Courier man wishes to take back all the uncharitable things we have ever said about this fellow. He has proven himself to be the right man in the right place.

P. S. When the Hon. Breck Long takes his place in the "millionaire club" at Washington, we suggest he attach a rider to the original document providing for the right kind of National Independence anniversary day weather. With Long in the Senate and the Hon. Judge Becker in the House there should be no difficulty in getting this important measure upon record.

It was a glorious day, this 1922 Fourth of July. Everybody had a good time. The Keytesville program was carried out to the letter.

The Carnival company had an attendance highly satisfactory to all. The attendance for the day and the evening to all events has been variously estimated to be between four and six thousand.

The air men performed in the air. Young America operated all devices for celebrating Independence day in a manner that left nothing to be desired.

No one was injured. All autos performed as well as thoroughly broken steeds should. Occasional evidences of the efficiency of "White Mule" left nothing to be desired. Yes, it was a de-lightful day for the crowds assembled.

In spite of the celebration of the 146th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of American Independence, the Courier comes to its

CARROLLTON OUT SELLS TO KANSAS CITY CONCERN

It will be remembered the Courier announced some time since that the Carrollton Water, Light & Transit company had sold out to a Kansas City concern. This was a sort of newspaper "scoop." The reliability of the report is now proven by the following taken from the Carrollton Weekly Democrat.

The Water, Light & Transit Company, of this city has been sold to the Kansas City Power & Light Company, one of the strongest electrical companies in the West. The new company will take charge of the plant here as soon as the public service commission approves the sale, which will be between the 1st and 15th of July. The purchase price is between one-half and three-quarters of a million.

With the sale of the plant here goes all of the transmission lines that go out of here to Bogart, Tina, Bosworth, Wakenda, Miami station, Miami, DeWitt, Brunswick, Keytesville, Dalton, Glasgow, Mendon, Triplet and the farmer lines of more than fifty miles. The sale also includes, of course, the ice plant and electric line.

The purpose of the new company is to make this plant thoroughly up-to-date in every particular, and, in time, to extend the lines to all of this section of Missouri. To aid the local

readers with various reasons of just who's and why—in the matter of the winners of events as pulled down in the various contests. The reporter worked hard, fast and furiously in getting the names of many here from abroad. To be sure thousands were missed, but they were welcomed by all. At the Carnival grounds old and staid time-scarred citizens cast dignity to the discard and rode the merry-go-round with reckless abandon that left nothing to be desired. It was noted that many dignified matrons were busy collecting an occasional youngster to give "him" a ride. It was also noticed that even bankers were taking a sporting chance in attempting to beat the other fellow's game at the different booths and the abandon that characterized these efforts would have delighted the eye of any three-shell game man.

Yes, bankers, lawyers and doctors won an occasional bottle of perfume, a cupid doll and a vanity glass. And why not?

The candidates? Yes they were in evidence, performing in a most highly and approved manner. It was a great day for many of them. Wednesday they were looking for St. Jacobs' Oil to help limber up much abused muscles. Ah, Wednesday carried its own marks of toil—the clean-up, so to speak.

The Winners in Events

Best decorated car: Miss Nell White, first; second J. O. Richardson. Best decorated store front: J. O. Richardson, first; L. W. Hansman, second.

Boys foot race: Jack Allega, first; Grover Bentley, second. Fat Man's race: Geo. Young, first; C. E. Bond, second. Chas. Parker disqualified—fell down.

Girls foot race: Aileen Cox, first; Helen Edwards, second.

Egg race: Miss Adda Crisman, first; Mrs. Carrie White, second.

Sack race: Young Washam, of Musselfork, first; Aldine Johnson, second.

Standing broad jump: Ely Gordon, first; James Poyer, second.

Running broad jump: Ely Gordon, first; Ted Search, second.

Ladies' nail driving: Mrs. Robert Hurt, first; Mrs. W. S. Drace, second.

Ladies best driver: Mrs. Sterling Johnson, first; Addie Crisman, second.

Lady rider: Mrs. Anna M. Smith, first; Harriett Hyde, second.

Best all round saddle horse: Sterling Hudonell, first; O. G. Pyle, second.

Best driving team: Sterling Johnson.

Best draft team: Geo. McCloud, first; Bill Tillston, second.

Best span mules: Garnett Hyde.

Best sucking mule colt: Garnett Hyde, first; John Bushnell, second.

Prettiest baby under 2 years old: Mrs. Bertha Evans' daughter; Mrs.

plant in this a heavy transmission line will be built from Kansas City. An office will be maintained here, and it is probable that this will be the central office for lines in all of this section of Missouri. In fact, the new company bought this plant for development purposes, and if we understand their object, Carrollton is to be congratulated, for we will have a plant the equal of any in the state. The company has the necessary money to carry out their plans, and they will expend it liberally.

Who will be in charge of the office here is not known yet. However, we understand Mr. Spaulding, who is now superintendent, will remain with the company, and Chief Engineer Smith, will remain.

As to the street railway, that is a proposition. It has been a losing investment for the company and has only been maintained because it was such a great asset to the city. If our citizens will get behind it and the city will protect it, it will be continued. That, as we understand it, is up to us.

The present company, of which S. J. Jones is the president, was organized in 1913. By the expenditure of thousands of dollars they have almost rebuilt the plant, and the service of the past year is the best evidence of the thoroughness of the work. The company also extended the lines to all of the adjoining towns.

TECHNICALITIES OF BEE-KEEPING SHOWN IN MOTION PICTURE

Bee keepers who are interested in a new motion picture should see the United States Department of Agriculture showing the best practice in handling bees and the control of bee diseases. The film, which is called "Keeping Bees at Work," is tented to supplement a picture, entitled "Bees—How they Live and Work," issued some time ago for more popular use. The new picture shows the need for requeening the colony from time to time, the way to prepare the bees for wintering, the time to unpack the hives, the control of the swarm, and other details of management. The fact that the Bureau of Entomology will examine samples of combs to identify diseases and advise on their control is brought out.

The film is in one reel and may be borrowed by extension workers and others entitled to the privilege, or prints may be purchased for approximately the cost of making them, which is about \$37.

NOVEL CHINCH BUG WAR

A novel and very effective plan for protecting an 80-acre field of corn from chinch bug invasion is proving a pronounced success on the St. Clair Emmons farm, south of Paris. With wheat fields and billions of bugs on three sides of his corn, Emmons has suffered no damage at all. He tells about it as follows:

"I plowed a ditch 16 inches deep around my corn when wheat harvest started on three sides. The soil in this ditch was dragged to a fine dust and the wall of the ditch next to the corn was treated to a dose of hydrated lime. The bugs soon swarmed out of the wheat into my ditch but could not get past the side that had been dosed with lime. Every afternoon I saturate a gunny sack with coal oil, attach it to a stout stick, set fire to it and drag it down the ditch. A gallon of oil will keep the sack blazing long enough to cover a mile and a half. The bugs, of course, are burned to death."

In spite of the trouble they are causing him Emmons has a good word for chinch bugs. He says they force him to rotate his crops whether he wants to or not.—Monroe County Appeal.

MUSSELFORK

Quite a number of young folks attended the show at Salisbury Wednesday night.

Miss Bulah Rutliff who has been in the Moberly hospital, is home now and soon expects to be her old self again.

Jake McCloud and family visited Geo. McCloud Sunday.

Crops are very much in need of rain at this time.

The death of S. P. Johnson of near Prairie Hill is reported in this community. He died last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Callahan and family spent Sunday with the family of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Graves.

Mrs. W. M. Callahan spent the first of the week with her mother, Mrs. Rosie E. Palmer.

Friends of Mrs. Bob Rite will be shocked to hear of her death near Echo. She was struck by lightning while returning from a berrying expedition.

There was a shower of rain Wednesday morning in this community that helps some.

CHICKASHA BANK IS NATIONALIZED

The Chickasha Daily Express gives an account of the nationalization of the Farmers bank of that city of which M. F. Courtney, formerly of Keytesville, is the president.

The paper makes a great spread of the affair and the bank itself carries a half page advertisement of the event.

Through it all Mr. Courtney seems to be the predominate figure. His many old friends will be pleased to know that his success in the banking business is an assured fact.

Harry Hill of Brunswick transacted business here Monday.

Cleve Cavanah's daughter, second.

Prettiest baby over 2 and under 5: Mrs. Otho Welch' daughter, first; Mrs. Freeman Prather' daughter, second.

(It will be noticed that the boy babies were out of it from the start.)

Family coming the longest distance: C. A. Hetzel, Gordon, Neb.

Marshals of the day, C. C. Carlstead, Milt Bennett, Garnett Hyde.

VICTIM OF SHOOTING DIES

(Courier readers will remember a fortnight since we published the story of a shooting in Marceline. The result is the sequel.)

Homer McClintock, aged 20, who was shot Thursday morning of last week by Albert Noll, died in Mercy hospital about 1 o'clock Friday morning from his wounds. Prosecuting attorney C. K. Hart, who had remained in Marceline during the night, at once had a state warrant issued for Noll, charging him with first degree murder, and this was given to deputy sheriff D. L. Williams, who went to Wein, to the home of Noll's father, and got his prisoner. He was brought back to Marceline, and at 4 o'clock a preliminary examination was held before police judge S. N. Brown, at which a number of witnesses were examined.

The examination resulted in Judge Brown binding the prisoner over for the action of the circuit court, and he was then placed in the custody of officer Williams, who took him to Linneus and turned him over to Sheriff Powell, and he was locked up.

The attorneys for Noll are C. M. Kendrick and T. M. Bresnahan, the latter from Brookfield.

The body of McClintock was prepared for burial by Undertaker McLaughlin, and lay in the undertaking rooms until Saturday morning when the bullet which caused his death was extracted and turned over to the prosecuting attorney for evidence. The body was then delivered to the young man's mother, Mrs. Dave Brown, who lives at the corner of Missouri avenue and Bisbee.

Funeral services were held at the M. E. Church Sunday afternoon, and were conducted by Rev. J. E. Chappell, pastor of the Baptist church. The deceased united with the M. E. church more than a year ago. A large number of people attended the service, and the interment was in Mt. Olivet.

McClintock is survived by the mother, three half brothers, Clarence, Kenneth and Virgil Brown, an own sister, Mrs. Ethel Neff of Browning, four half sisters, Mrs. Ralph McKinsey, Mrs. Felix Gilski, of Brookfield, Mrs. Emma Foley of Marceline, a step sister, and Vinetta and Mildred Brown of Marceline. A step sister, Mrs. Emma Paton, lives in Boone, Iowa. Nearly all of these were present at the funeral services.

McClintock was 20 years old the 10th of last January. He was in the employ of the Santa Fe as a section man. During the war he was at the Great Lakes training station, Chicago, and made two trips through the Panama canal to Washington.

Pearl Hall, the Marceline photographer, took a number of pictures of the scene of the shooting, which will be used later in the trial of young Noll. These pictures were taken for the prosecution, and re-enacted, as nearly as possible, the events of the tragedy.

Noll Released on Bond

Albert Noll, slayer of Homer McClintock on Thursday morning of last week, was admitted to bail by Judge Lamb in chambers Monday at Salisbury, and was released from the Lima county jail Tuesday afternoon. He passed through Marceline en route to his father's home near Wein about 4 o'clock that day.

The amount of the bond was fixed by Judge Lamb at \$7,500. The bond was given by the following parties: Joseph Noll, father of Albert, Antop Noll, an uncle, Mrs. Abraham, an aunt, and Carl Schaefer, the latter from Marceline, and the father of Albert Noll's wife. Sheriff Powell, who accepted the bond, stated that the total worth of the signers was in the neighborhood of \$75,000.

The trial of the case against young Noll will be called in the October term of the circuit court.

—Marceline Journal.

Mrs. W. J. Samede of Lander, Wyo., and sister, Mrs. Hazel Herring of Kansas City spent the 4th in Keytesville with home folks.

W. T. Harriman, wife and two daughters, and son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. William Harriman of Tulsa, Okla., came in Monday in their car to spend the 4th with Mrs. W. T. Harriman's sisters, Mrs. Clem Oestrich and Mrs. Virgil Carter.

L. M. Halley, wife and small son spent the 4th with his brother, R. J. Halley and his sister, Mrs. J. T. Bunt. The J. M. Halleys, who are from Chicago, went from here to Carthage, Mo., to spend a few days.